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PATENT**Customer No.: 24040**

Preliminary Classification:

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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Yasuyuki MIYAZAWA et al.

For (title): PROCESS FOR PRODUCING ACRYLIC ACID DERIVATIVE

1. Type of Application

This application is for a continuation-in-part (C-I-P).

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2. **Benefit of Prior U.S. Application (35 U.S.C. §§ 119(e), 120, or 121)**

The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application. Additional page(s) are attached hereto.

3. **Papers Enclosed**

A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. § 1.153 (Design) Application

99 Page(s) of Specification
27 Page(s) of Claims
0 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Formal

B. Other Papers Enclosed

3 Page(s) of declaration and power of attorney
1 Page(s) of abstract

4. **Additional Papers Enclosed**

Copy of Notice of Filing of Continuation for 09/869,458 filed on June 26, 2001
Information Disclosure Statement
PTO/SB/08A and 08B
Assignment to Nippon Soda Co. Ltd. TO FOLLOW
OF TOKYO, JAPAN

5. **Declaration or Oath**

Enclosed

Executed by: Yasuyuki MIYAZAWA on December 21, 2003
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Noriaki KAWAHARA on December 18, 2003

6. **Inventorship Statement**

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

7. **Language**

English

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8. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

Regular Application									
CLAIMS AS FILED									
	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a) \$770.00		
Total									
Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	46	-	20	=	26	x \$ 18.00	= \$		468.00
Independent									
Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	13	-	3	=	10	x \$ 43.00	= \$		430.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))						\$ 280.00	\$		0.00
Filing Fee Calculation								\$1,668.00	

9. Request for International-Type Search (37 C.F.R. § 1.104(d))

Please prepare an international-type search report for this application at the time when national examination on the merits takes place.

10. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

Enclosed

Filing Fee	\$770.00
Extra Claims	\$468.00
Extra Claim	\$430.00
Total Fees Enclosed	<u>\$1,668.00</u>

11. Method of Payment of Fees

Authorization is hereby made to charge the amount of \$1,668.00 to Deposit Account No. 131992.

Charge any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment in the manner authorized above.

A duplicate of this paper is attached.

12. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

The Office is hereby authorized to charge, in the manner shown above, the following additional fees that may be required by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application.

37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)

37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b), (c) or (d) (presentation of extra claims)

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37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (application processing fees)

13. Instructions as to Overpayment

Credit Account No. 131992.

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**ADDED PAGES/LANGUAGE FOR APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF
PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION CLAIMED
(37 C.F.R. § 1.78)**

14. Relate Back

Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line following the title, the following sentence:

A. 35 U.S.C. Sections 120, 121 and 365(c)

"This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent application number 09/869,458 filed on June 26, 2001."

15. Abandonment of Prior Application


Please abandon the prior application at a time while the prior application is pending, or when the petition for extension of time or to revive in that application is granted, and when this application is granted a filing date, so as to make this application copending with said prior application.

16. Notification in Parent Application of This Filing

A notification of the filing of this continuation-in-part is being filed in the parent application, from which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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